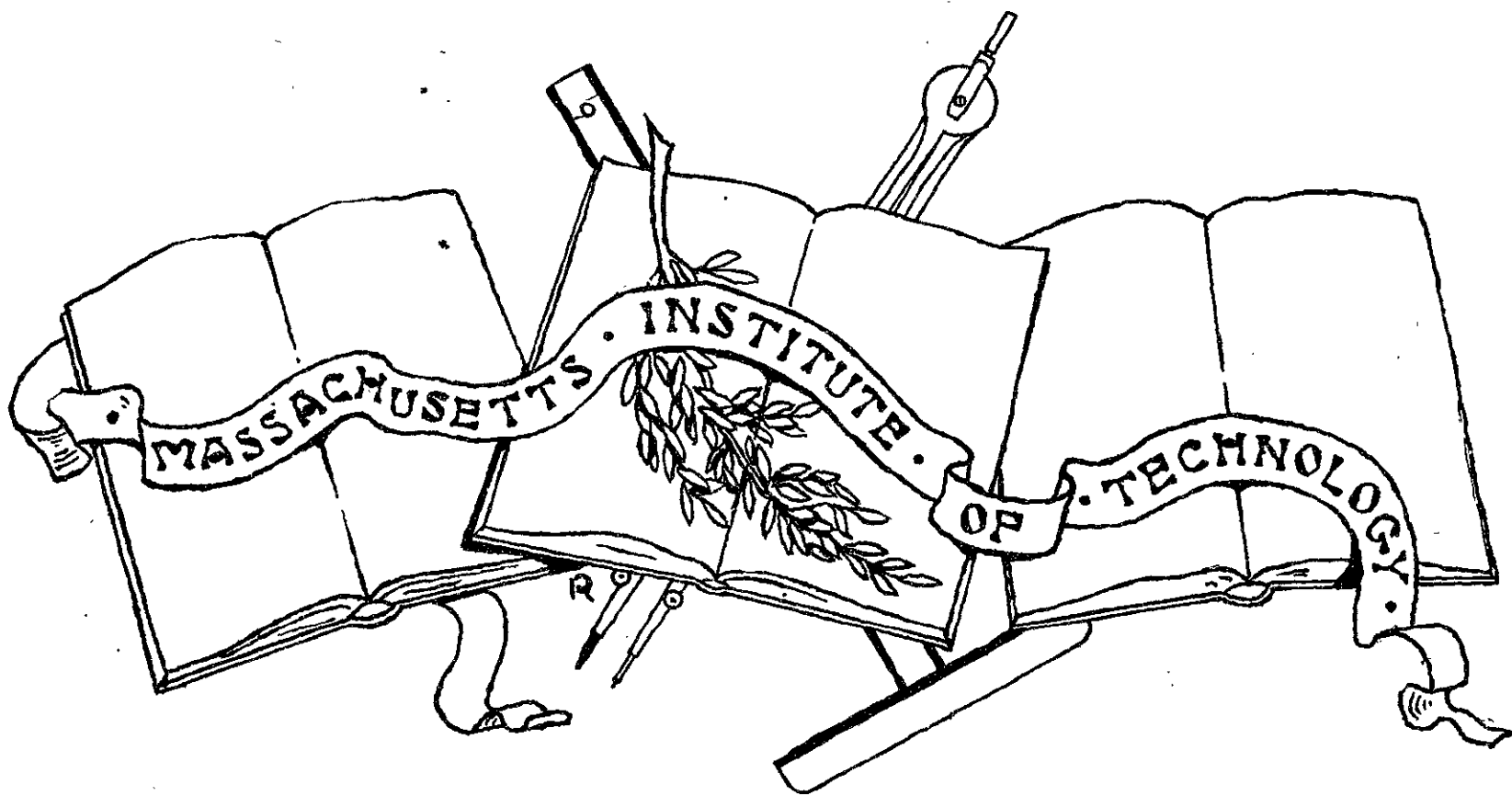
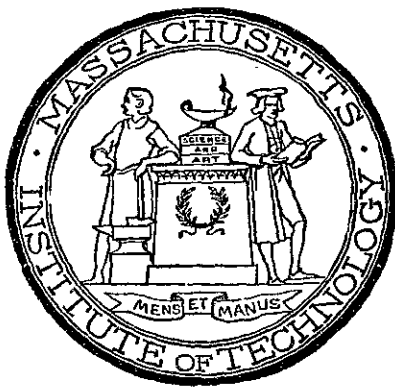




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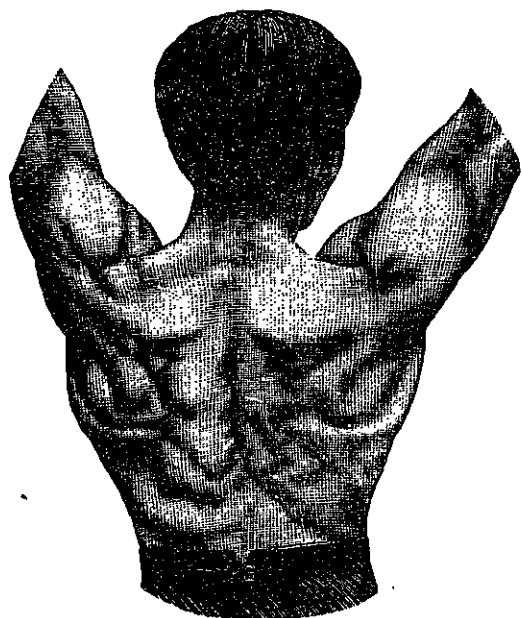
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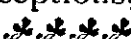
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IN recent years there has been more or less talk in the air as to the advisability of negotiating a track athletic league with Brown. THE TECH wishes to bring this matter forward once more, and to urge its serious consideration. A set of dual games a short time before the Worcester meet would give the best possible training for that event, and would be excellent as a means of arousing a wider enthusiasm among the students at large. Brown seems our most natural opponent, being, like ourselves, shut out of the "triple alliance" of Dartmouth, Amherst, and Williams, and also from the generous rivalry which has always existed between the two colleges. The Executive Committee of the M. I. T. A. C. discussed the matter last Monday and the plan met with general approval, the great objection being a financial one. We hope to hear from the *Brunonian* as to the feeling among the students at Brown toward such a scheme, and shall be glad of correspondence from all Technology men interested. If the plan meets with

approval, a mass meeting to discuss the financial side would doubtless furnish as ready an answer as did that of last spring, which sent the relay team to Philadelphia with such good results.

THE Custodian of the Trophy Room, Mr. Hutchinson, '98, after conference with a committee of undergraduates, has requested permission from the officers of the Technology Club to display the trophies under his charge in either the card room or the library of the Clubhouse. The banners, pictures, cups, etc., are at present distributed aimlessly in various parts of the house, or stored away in closets, and their collection and arrangement would be highly desirable. Nevertheless, while we shall be very grateful to the Club if the use of its room is granted, we must remember that such an arrangement is only temporary. The trophy room belongs to the whole college, and should be accessible to the whole college; and the only ideal place for it is in one of the buildings of the Institute. We still hope, therefore, that at some time, perhaps on the erection of the Chemical Building, a room may be granted for this especial purpose by the Faculty.

FOLLOWING up our remarks on athletics in Western colleges of two weeks ago, we feel that editorial comment should be made as to the outcome of the season's football as played in the West. The great Thanksgiving Day game between the Universities of Michigan and Chicago was played in the Coliseum, and a memorable event it was. Realizing that his team was far inferior in strength to that of Michigan's doughty veterans, A. A. Stagg, the director of athletics at the University of Chi-

cago, decided to develop their one strong point, namely, that of kicking. All the training and drill was to the end that if Chicago won, it was to be by a continual exchange of punts. This proved to be a most wise decision, and as a consequence of putting into effect this idea, the University of Chicago won by a score 7-6. As it is now, the victors stand with an undisputed right to be called the champions of the West, and in having attained the title, deserve great praise, for the discouragements of the early part of the year at the University of Chicago were many and serious. Since the game the University grounds in Chicago have been the scene of many public demonstrations unheard of before in the history of this Institution.

THE action of some of the Western institutions in regard to professionalism in athletics is well worthy of attention. Realizing that there are three main evils menacing the integrity of athletic achievement in their respective schools, the students and graduates of these colleges have been discussing the question, and have appointed committees to formulate some line of action by which the dishonor resulting from professionalism can be averted. The three evils are thus to be met, and Easterners will see that the ideas are not unique:—

Rules shall be enforced requiring students from other colleges to have six months' or a year's residence in the University, before becoming eligible to its athletic teams.

A rule shall be adopted prohibiting any student from playing in athletic teams for more than the length of an academic course.

Measures shall be adopted whereby the control of athletic affairs shall be largely taken out of the hands of student managers.

The absolute necessity of such action has been apparent for some time, but the dissatisfaction of the student bodies in the various colleges had not reached the point at which they declared decisively against securing out-

side material to strengthen their teams. The open-handed deals at the beginning of this season could not fail to apprise all of the true state of affairs, and the result is to be felt in a concerted stand which will be made by the students, faculty, and graduates of each institution in which the evil has taken root, in order to straighten matters out.

THE importance of training cannot be too strongly urged upon our athletes who wish to see Technology well represented at Worcester next spring.

Although the Athletic Association cannot, in all probability, afford the expense of a training table next year, yet the value of conscientious work through the winter will surely bring favorable results, even without this adjunct. It is none too early to consider this matter now, and the men who commence light training early in the winter will be far ahead of their fellows who wait until a few weeks before the Intercollegiate meeting.

TWO thefts of overcoats have recently occurred from the lunch room, and it seems time to sound a note of warning. It is very unsafe to leave articles of clothing, or, indeed, any belongings in places where they cannot be watched. Where there are so many men continually moving about as there are in Rogers at certain times in the day, it is the easiest thing in the world for a sneak-thief to enlarge his wardrobe. A word to the wise is sufficient.

THE condition of the apparatus at the Gymnasium is deplorable. The jumping standards are broken, the large mat cannot be used, the leather shots are in need of repair, in short, nearly everything is out of order. It is true that there is difficulty in keeping the apparatus in repair, but it seems as though a little exertion on the part of those in charge of the Gymnasium might go a long way toward remedying the evil.

WE are very glad to see that L'Avenir is making another attempt to pay off its indebtedness, incurred by the play of two years ago. By the lectures given last spring a small sum was netted, and if this enterprise is well supported the entire debt may well be wiped out. With the reputation which the society enjoys for spirited entertainments, it ought not to be necessary to urge the purchase of its very cheap tickets.

WE are pleased to announce the election of Mr. John Magee, 2d, '99, to the Editorial Board of THE TECH.

The Summer School of Mining.

IN accordance with the custom of the Mining department of holding summer schools of Mining and of Metallurgy in alternate years, the school, which was held last year at various metallurgical works of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, was held this year in three of the principal iron-mining districts of Michigan and Minnesota. The members left Boston, June 6th and 7th, in three separate parties, which, traveling by different routes, united at Ironwood, Mich., two of them on June 12th, and the third, under Professor Richards, a few days later. The united party consisted of Professor Richards and Hofman, and Messrs. W. P. Anderson, '96; E. P. Brown, A. L. Davis, O. B. Smith, T. Washburn, E. S. Wiard, '97; F. F. Colcord, G. McM. Godley, C. S. Hurter and W. McKell, '98. At Ironwood, visits were made to the Norrie mine, of the Gogebic range, and also to the Aurora mine, where the hoisting and hauling machinery, drainage and ventilation, were thoroughly investigated and notes taken. A trip was also made to Bessemer, where the Tilden and the celebrated Colby mine were visited. The latter is a surface deposit, which is a rare occurrence in this range.

Leaving Ironwood, June 20th, the party started for the Mesabi range in Minnesota. At Duluth one of the great docks for loading freight vessels was visited. This dock was, with its shore approach, a mile long. Here the methods of sampling the ore before it is loaded into the vessels, and analyzing the samples in the dock laboratory, were seen.

From Duluth to Virginia, Minn., the party were the guests of the Duluth, Mesabi & Northern R.R., through the courtesy of its Vice President, Mr. McBride. Around Virginia there are a number of iron mines, the most prominent of which were visited and studied. Returning to Ironwood, a study was made of the well known Chapin mine, which is of interest from the fact that all the machinery used in it is operated by compressed air, generated by water power three miles away, and brought to the mine through a pipe line.

On the evening of July 4th the party left Ironwood for Norway, Mich., where the next three days were spent. On the night of July 7th, notes, geological specimens, surveying instruments, etc., were packed for the last time, and on the following day the school disbanded, some going to Chicago, some to the copper mines of Lake Superior, and a few returning to Boston by way of the lakes.

Each summer school of mining must of necessity be a greater success than the last, but all who attended this one are of the opinion that it exceeded the ordinary advancement. The thanks of the entire party are due to Professor Richards and Hofman for their untiring efforts in their behalf, as well as to the numerous mine officials, whose patience and courtesy contributed materially to the success of the Summer School of '96.

NOT WHAT SHE IS PAID FOR.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
 "I'm going to church, sir," she said.
 "Will you pray for me, my pretty maid?"
 "I can't; I'm in the choir," she said.

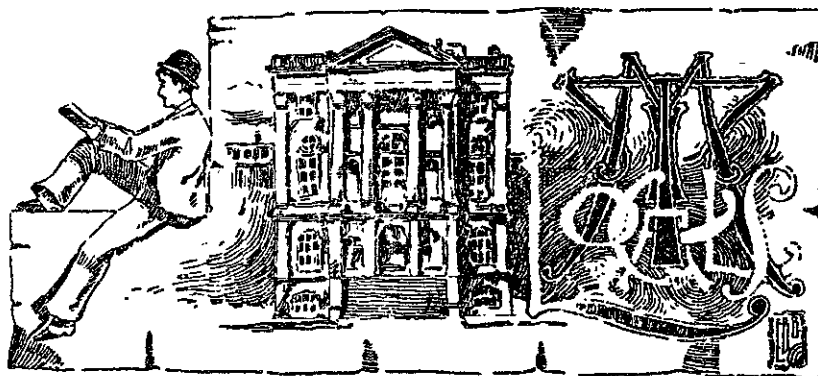
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Architectural Society Smoke Talk.

At the Technology Club, November 2d, the Architectural Society gave the most successful Smoke Talk of its history. The speaker was Mr. Geo. Peabody, of the well-known firm of Peabody & Stearns, Architects, of this city. The large reception room was filled with Course IV. men, and Mr. Peabody illustrated his remarks to them with a powerful stereopticon and many beautiful views. The subject of the speaker was "An Architect's Library," and in consequence his remarks were largely concerned with the masters of architectural drawing and illustrating and the many beautiful books filled with their work. Mr. Peabody made also a gallant defense of the lithograph, which is fast dying out in favor. After the lecture the society adjourned downstairs, where a light supper was served. The Smoke Talk proved such a success that a number of them will probably be given, taking up in order kindred subjects pertaining to the architect and his work.

Electrical Engineering Society.

THE December meeting of the Electrical Engineering Society was held last Friday evening, in room 22, Walker. Mr. Clifton A. Howes, '94, who is with the American Electric Heating Corporation, addressed the society on Electrical Heating Apparatus, giving an interesting account of the construction of various heating appliances and methods of wiring, and furnishing some figures in regard to cost of operation and efficiency. Mr. Howes had on exhibition several electric flat-irons, a soldering iron, car heater, small stove, and various other pieces of apparatus, as well as several drawings showing their construction. It is probable that arrangements will be made for a visit by the members of the society to a central lighting station, to take place in about two weeks. Messrs. Hubbard and Ewing, '97, and Crowell, '98, were appointed a committee to arrange the programme for the next meeting.



Mr. Suter, 1900, has returned to work after nearly a month's illness.

The 1900 Football team had their picture taken at Hearn's, Friday, December 4th.

The picture of the Junior Class will be taken Friday, at one o'clock, on the steps of the Natural History Building.

Professor and Mrs. H. P. Talbot will give an "at home" next Saturday at Balcarres Road, West Newton.

Mr. C. W. Perley, lately of THE TECH, was appointed assistant instructor in Biology at the last meeting of the Corporation.

A large number of Institute men took in the Christmas concert at Wellesley on Monday, and spent a delightful evening.

Mr. Robbins, who was instructor in Chemistry from '82 to '84, visited the chemical department of the Institute last Thursday.

Extract from a Freshman's chem. notebook: "I observed that crystals were formed, being in a test tube I could observe them good."

The various organizations at Tech. are showing a universal awakening in the matter of bulletin boards. The Wheelmen's Club now owns one.

Senior Chemists have finished lectures on gas analysis and begun lectures on oil analysis, together with recitations on Fischer's "Feurungstechniker."

The bacteriologists have finished the general work in bacteriology, and will devote the remaining time in the course to special forms, including many pathogenics.

At a recent meeting of 1900, it was decided not to receive the committee sent by '99 to consult about the rush, and a committee was elected to select a class cane.

At the meeting of the Biological Journal Club last Friday, Dr. Bigelow reviewed Professor Wilson's recent treatise on the cell in development and inheritance.

A much larger number of men than usual have signified their intention of entering the Architectural Society competition for "Technique." The drawings are due Dec. 15th.

The Freshmen have all received circulars from the President, announcing that the choice of courses must be made soon, and enclosing a special announcement of Course IX.

Professor Henry Carmichael addressed the Chemists last Saturday on the "Electrolytic Dissociation of Brine as applied to the Manufacture of Chlorine." Many of the instructing staff were present.

White: They say your brother blew in quite a wad of dough when that little soubrette was in town.

Black: Yes; and the blow almost broke father.—*Cornell Widow.*

Mr. W. B. Perkins, who died in Colorado recently, among other bequests to educational institutions left \$6,000 to the Architectural department of Technology, for the establishment of a new traveling scholarship.

Considerable attention has been attracted by the fine specimens of chalk lettering and drawing which have appeared on the blackboard of the Electrical Engineering Society, in the corridor of the Walker Building.

There seems to be considerable difficulty in getting the bugles which were loaned to the bugle corps for the parade. The Bursar has been obliged to remind several men that the bugles should be returned immediately.

Physiological laboratory has been changed from Tuesday morning to Thursday morning, as the shaking of the building caused by machinery in the mining laboratory on Tuesdays interfered seriously with some of the delicate experiments.

After constant rehearsing from the beginning of the term, the Glee, Banjo, and Mandolin Clubs gave their first concert for the season Monday, November 30th, at the Every-Day Church, on Shawmut Avenue, where they were greeted by a large and appreciative audience.

Course I. certainly deserves to be popular. While a class was out doing survey work a few days ago, a fire was discovered in Cambridge. After some thought the instructor in charge decided that the section would learn more on the other side of the bridge. A move was therefore made.

The Junior problem in architecture was finished Friday afternoon. Thursday and Friday afternoons the whole senior class turned to and helped their belated comrades finish their designs on time. The compliment was returned on Saturday by the Juniors, when the '97 men's design fell due.

President Walker addressed the Freshman Class, Saturday, on the choice of courses. He outlined the courses briefly, stating their points of difference and resemblance. He emphasized the fact that a choice made now was not irrevocable, but a change might be made later with little or no extra work.

A meeting of the Gun Club was held, Wednesday, December 2d, at which it was decided to build a \$60 shooting booth at Battery Station. A permit has been secured from the town of Winthrop. Several new members signed the constitution, and the membership of the Society is now almost fifty.

The Civil Engineering Society will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening,

December 14th, in Room 11, Rogers Building. Professor Burton has kindly consented to talk to the members on the last summer's expedition to Umanak Fjord, West Greenland. All of those who have not yet heard the genial professor relate the experiences of the Peary Party in the Far North should attend this meeting.

At the second meeting of the Geological Club, held last Friday afternoon, Professor Niles gave a very interesting description of the evolution of the water way of the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence River. His talk was illustrated by a new blackboard map which he has recently constructed. At the third meeting Professor Crosby is to speak. The Club holds its meetings every Friday at 4 o'clock.

The following corporals were appointed last Wednesday in the Freshman battalion: Company A, F. E. Burnham, G. A. Hall, C. H. Comey, H. L. Crocker, F. C. Ayres; Company B, G. D. Atwood, G. W. Emery, W. N. Charles, E. H. Durgin, F. J. Mague; Company C, J. P. Sprague, R. W. Balcom, H. E. Osgood, J. W. Hussey, W. L. Hearn, M. Davenport; Company D, R. Wascott, R. E. Oppenheim, M. L. Sperry, L. Wesson.

Of the one hundred and eighty-eight graduates last year, the number from each Course was as follows: Course I., 25; Course II., 34; Course III., 10; Course IV., 24; Course V., 16; Course VI., 48; Course VII., 3; Course VIII., 3; Course IX., 7; Course X., 7; Course XI., 4; Course XII., 3; Course XIII., 5. This foots up one hundred and eighty-nine, but one man, Mr. A. J. Bowie, secured degrees from two Courses, II. and VI.

The Glee, Banjo, and Mandolin Clubs gave a concert in Fall River on Friday evening, December 4th. The clubs left Boston at 4.45 P. M., and returned in scattered detachments, commencing to arrive at half past eight Saturday morning. The attendance at the concert was small, and the affair proved a losing venture, but all so enjoyed themselves in the

dance that followed the programme that they feel amply repaid. The work of the Clubs was good, especially that of the Banjo Club.

An unusual incident occurred in the test of a 12 x 4 inch spruce beam on last Friday. The piece of timber twelve feet long was placed on the 100,000 beam testing machine. In gradually applying the load to obtain the ultimate breaking strength, the beam was noticed to be deflecting laterally quite rapidly, and finally burst from its supports in a lateral direction. It was then brought back to place and confined by clamps to a vertical deflection only. The beam broke with a maximum reading upon the scales of 12,000 pounds.

"Technique" has led many of our Course IV. men to go into general designing, where their success has been marked. We clip the following from a Boston periodical: "The value of the Institute of Technology in supplying talented craftsmen is appreciated by *Time and the Hour*. The illustrative sketches of Mr. Frank Bird Masters and his successor, Mr. Charles Ewing, both members thereof, have sped the arrows of its writers in the cause of good morals and good manners, and have given humorous and pointed effect to them."

As suggested in an editorial in the last issue of THE TECH, the M. I. T. Co-operative Society has agreed to take charge of the supply rooms in the Architectural and Engineering buildings. The Society hopes to thus add to its scholarship fund. Mr. Le Baron, '97, Mr. G. C. Winslow, '99, and Mr. Atwood, will act as a committee to take full charge of starting in operation the rooms. It is hoped in time that the Society will be enabled to run a co-operative store on much the same principle as the one at Harvard, which deals in goods of every description. When the new building is erected President Walker has promised that a room in it shall be reserved for the Society.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 1st, Mr. John Barry, the noted chess champion, was the

guest of the M. I. T. Chess Club at 563 Massachusetts Avenue. Mr. Barry demonstrated his wonderful power of mind concentration, and fine knowledge of the game by playing eleven members of the club simultaneously. The players sat on one side of a long table with their boards in front of them. Mr. Barry walked along on the opposite side of the table from one player to another making his moves after very little hesitation. Inside of three hours he had won every game; Mr. Mathews, '98, being the last man to succumb. Mr. William T. Miller, M. I. T., '80, a member of the old Chess Club and first president of the M. I. T. A. C., was also present, and entertained the members present with stories and personal reminiscences of the great chess masters.

L'Avenir will give a play and variety performance in Huntington Hall on the 19th, for the purpose of paying off its debt. The play is part French and part English, and was written by Mr. G. L. Smith, President of the Society. It deals with a Parisian family in London and with a love affair conducted under difficulties. Rehearsals are in active progress under the direction of M. Bernard, and the cast will be definitely announced later. Among the "specialties," following the play, will be a French monologue by Mr. Winslow, a "tramp act" and dance by Messrs. Davison and Rogers, a colloquy between a Dutchman and a Scotchman by Messrs. Smith and Mason, and an original feature entitled "Technique Illustrated." The tickets for the performance will be fifty and seventy-five cents.

Freshman Themes.

It was dark, and we were all sitting around the fireplace watching the flickering light, when my little Southern friend was called upon to tell a story. "Well," she began, "in the town where I live, in Virginia, is an old house into which no one dares to go at night, for it is said to be haunted. Over the mantelpiece

in the dining room is a picture of a man, life size, dressed in a colonel's uniform of long ago. Every night when the clock strikes twelve the colonel steps down from the picture and wanders over the house as in former times. One night when we young folks were having a party in the neighborhood, I was dared to go into the house and to go up to the picture just at midnight. So we decided upon a night to carry out our plans. Now, I had never believed in ghosts, so when the night arrived I was in for the fun, and was not a bit afraid. The others accompanied me as far as the front gate, and then I was to go the rest of the way by myself. I bravely walked up the path and entered the house. Then I went more slowly toward the dining room and opened the door. It seemed to me as if puffs of air met my face, but I boldly stepped in, and very, very slowly began to walk toward the picture. Oh, it was dark! and my heart was beating fast. More and more puffs of wind floated about my head, but thinking that this sensation was due to my imagination, and summoning up all my courage, I approached the mantel. Just as I reached the spot, behold! the colonel stepped down from the picture and extended his arms toward me! I shrieked and fainted, and—it was not the colonel who caught me in his arms."

B. L. B., 1900.

I WAS walking through the Arboretum with our Pastor one day last week, when we noticed several small urchins playing in the sand. While we stood watching them one little fellow stepped on a companion's foot. Immediately we were shocked to see the five-year-old fairly dance with anger, while oaths poured from the mouth which might have belonged to a cherub. The good Doctor was dazed for a moment, but, quickly recovering himself, began slowly and sternly, "I am afraid—I am afraid——" Here the child broke in with a contemptuous shout, "Damn it! why don't you run, then." The Doctor ran.

L. C. C., 1900.



'69. Channing Whitaker, Course II., is engaged at present upon questions of Infringement and Patentability for the Lowell Machine Shop.

'74. Mr. Wetherell, of the well-known firm of Winslow & Wetherell, has under his charge the construction of the addition to the Parker House.

'81. F. G. Darlington, of Course IX., who is now, and has been for several years, the Superintendent of the Indianapolis Division of the P. C. C. & St. L. Ry., last year had to retire from business, on account of ill health, from August first till December. The latter part of the time he spent in Europe, and has now fully recovered. Mr. Darlington has taken quite a prominent position in the railway world by several innovations which he has made. His advocacy of the system of "Black Marks," instead of the old plan of "laying off," is to his credit.

'83. Horace B. Gale, Course II., is Consulting Mechanical and Electrical Engineer with the American Electric Heating Company, of Boston.

'84. Nahum Ward, Course V., chemist with the N. Ward Company, of Boston, last year, is studying this year in Hamburg, Germany.

'85. The Class of '85 held a smoke talk in the Architectural Building last Friday. Professor Homer described the bicycle trip of the architects last summer.

'87. Arthur R. Nickels, Course III., has been appointed chemist at the works of the Omaha and Grant Smelting Company, Durango, Col.

'88. A. D. Nickerson, Course I., is engaged as Engineer on Sewer Construction in Hyde Park.

'90. G. L. Gilmore, Course II., writes that his class intends to hold a reunion some time in December. We are not as yet informed of particulars.

'93. Geo. W. Stose, Course I., was married on Wednesday evening, December 2d, to Miss S. Vallie Kyte, of this city. Mr. K. S. Sweet, of the same class and course, now Professor Porter's assistant, acted as best man. The bride and groom will make their home in Washington, D. C., where Mr. Stose is employed on the Geological Survey.

'95. Sanborn, '95, and Knight, '96, are both at Harvard Law School.

'95. F. E. Matthes, Course I., left last week for McAlester, Indian Territory, to join a party of the U. S. Geological Survey, at work there.

'96. M. O. Leighton, Course VII., was married last October in Portland. E. H. Barker, Course II., was best man, and C. W. Perley and J. A. Rockwell, both of Course VII., acted as ushers.

SPARED THAT.

Whatever trials Adam had,
No one could make him sore
By saying when he told a jest,
"I've heard that joke before."

—Ex.

ALONG THE SAME LINE.

And Cain and Abel's little hearts
No doubt beat wild with joy,
Because the old man couldn't tell
What he did when a boy.

—Ottawa Campus.

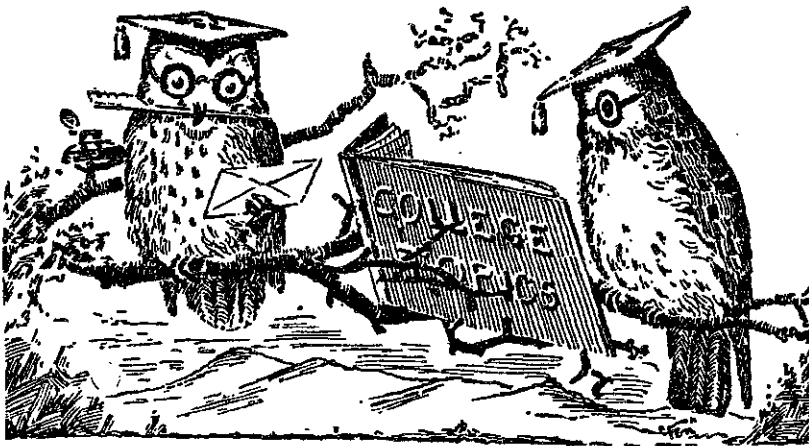
PASS IT ON.

And Eve, no doubt, was glad because
Old Adam couldn't say
Her pies were not like mother made
Back in his youthful day.

—Cornell Widow.

There are Others.

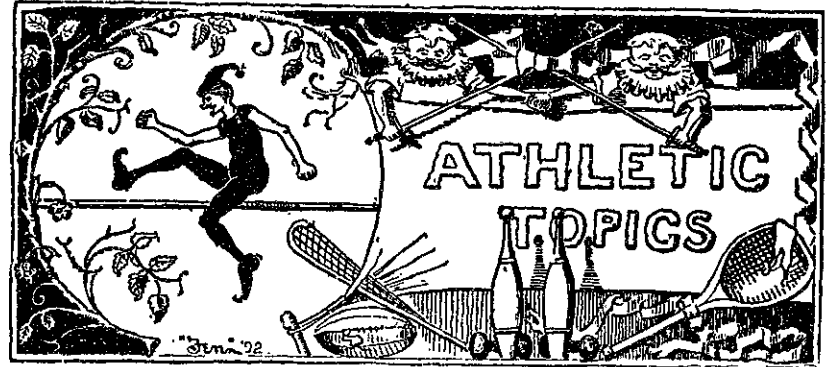
The serpent, too, was much relieved
When Adam met his ken;
That patriarch did not exclaim,
"I've got the snakes again."



Columbia University is to have a \$500,000 gymnasium. The building will contain the largest swimming tank in the United States, and will have a running track one eighth of a mile in circumference.

The paucity of bequests to English universities is to be wondered at. An exchange makes the statement that the largest endowment fund in England, which amounts to \$450,000, is to be applied to the aid of the University of Edinburg. In strong contrast are the magnificent endowments of our own colleges and universities, headed by Girard College with \$5,000,000, and amounting in total to several billions.

The Harvard Faculty has passed the following rule: "The Administrative Board of the College, holding that the handing in by a student of written work not his own is dishonorable, proposes to separate from the college a student guilty of such conduct, and to post his name on the College Bulletin Boards." The mode of dealing with students who are guilty of dishonorable conduct varies greatly with different colleges. Some colleges adopt the method used here at the Institute: a student is simply told to withdraw, and is shielded from publicity. This seems to us better than to stain his whole subsequent career by publicly dishonoring him. A momentary weakness under, oftentimes, extenuating circumstances, should not be judged too harshly. On the other hand, of course, is to be considered the salutary effect of the example.



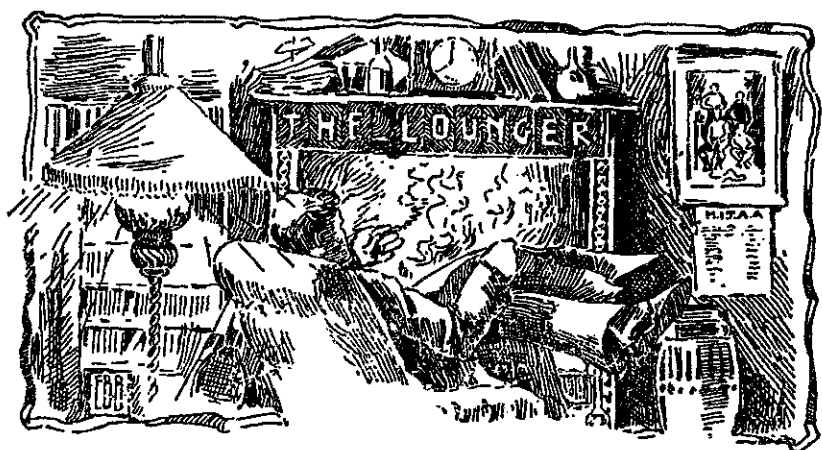
Recently High, '98, and Bodwell, '98, each vaulted 6 feet 7 inches, in the Gymnasium.

John Graham, of the B. A. A., will hold a cross-country run from the M. I. T. Gymnasium to Coolidge Corner and back, on Saturday afternoon, December 12th. Six prizes are offered, and as the run is handicap there is a good chance for anyone. All Tech. runners are urged to enter.

There will be a handicap meeting in the B. A. A. Gymnasium Thursday evening, December 17th, open to B. A. A., M. I. T., and Harvard. The events are the usual indoor ones, and prizes will be given to first, second, and third men. Entries to be made to John Graham, B. A. A., not later than December 15th, and are twenty-five cents per entry.

A new Track Team picture was taken at Hearn's last Thursday, as the picture taken last spring was unsatisfactory. The following is the official list of the members of last year's team: Grosvenor, '98; Stebbins, '97; Hooker, '97; Osgood, '97; Pugh, '97; Gray, '97; Jones, '98; Mayer, '98; Rumery, '98; Nolte, '98; West, '99; Ferguson, '99; Kimball, '99; Farnham, '99; Cummings, '96; Hurd, '96.

About thirty men are out daily preparing for the indoor meeting. Hurd, '96, is training for the hurdles. Burch, '99, has proved a fast man in the dash, and will give Grosvenor a rub. W. E. Putnam is doing 5 feet 8 inches in the high jump nearly every day, and it seems as if that event would go to him. The meet this year should be more interesting than last, and a good attendance is hoped for.



"I could a tale unfold, whose lightest word
Would harrow up thy soul."

WE read often in ancient legend and in the stirring tales of Hope and Weyman, of instances in which imprisoned beauty has been set free by a gallant knight. The roles were exactly reversed when this touching episode was enacted within the walls of Technology quite recently, inasmuch as it was the Knight who suffered restraint, and the maiden who gallantly freed him from durance vile. The tale, for whose veracity many will vouch, runs as follows. The cavalier of the purse, he who lurks in the grim cavern to the southward of the black desert yclept the Secretary's office; he with whom the confiding Freshman files his bond; he who once, it is said, cashed a check the same week it was presented,—he sought out, quite late one afternoon, the little telephone closet in the back of Rogers corridor. An hour later, when he had sent his message, for it was a short one, he turned to leave the instrument. To his horror he found that the door of the closet had closed with a spring, and realized that he had no key. In his agony of mind at the thought of being immolated in this living tomb at dinner time, he hastened, yes, actually *hastened* to beat upon the door and to cry out loudly and to make much hubbub. It was late in the nachmittag, as the language of Heine so picturesquely has it. None was near to succor the hapless prisoner. But at last the denizen of the Cage, the feathered postmistress, hears the gruesome sounds, and sallies boldly forth and stands before the door whence this outcry proceeds. Before liberating the unknown captive, it seems expedient to point a moral of patience; therefore, she gently reproves him for his unseemly behavior, worthy only of a Freshman from the far, far West; instructs him as to the proper method of making a request, furnishing several models of polite form, and expresses her hope that this may prove a lesson in patience and courtesy for the future. The scene which ensues when the door is at last

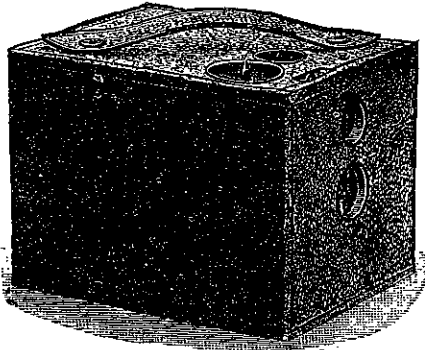
opened, the Lounger prefers to leave for the pen of someone greater than himself and more fitted to do it justice.

In a recent constitutional about the glittering halls of Technology, the Lounger was struck by an injunction inscribed in large characters upon a certain blackboard to "eat chocolate pie on Thursday in the basement." The statement was plain; there could be no mistake. But why Thursday? Personally the Lounger has been accustomed to consume his chocolate pie on Tuesdays and Fridays, while regaling himself upon mince pie on Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays, and madly revelling in apple dumplings on Sundays and Wednesdays. Truly he would be loath to alter his accustomed ways, for by so doing his processes of digestion might be seriously impaired. May we not suspect the professor in whose room the witching command appeared of misrepresentation with view to personal indulgence? May it not be that he found himself at a disadvantage with his fellow-profs. in the common feeding ground, and sought by subterfuge to lure his rivals to gorge on Thursday, thereby securing himself full supply on, say the Wednesday following? Such depths of deception might be conceivable. If, on the other hand, the statement was a *bona fide* one, if a firman has gone forth from the Secretary's office that chocolate pie is to be eaten on Thursday, then the Lounger must bow himself to the inevitable with what grace he can; and pities only the unhappy Chemist who has lab. on that day, and for whom the aromas of whipped cream and CS_2 will become inextricably mingled.

A sad appeal was that which recently graced the bulletin board of our latest unmusical organization—The Quintette. "Wanted, a humorist," it read; and as it stood under the "Technique" bulletin board it seemed to bear a doubly pathetic meaning. The Lounger thought seriously of offering himself to fill the breach. He fears, however, that his humor is not broad enough to be suited to a musical club. Judging by the wit displayed during the recent sojourn of the Glee and Banjo aggregation in Fall River, the first requisite for a musical joke consists in breaking various sorts of crockery, abstracting pillows, giving Tech. yells, and doing other strange and unusual things at early hours in the morning. Such achievements are no doubt calculated to fill the manly breast with irrepressible glee; but they are not quite in the Lounger's line.

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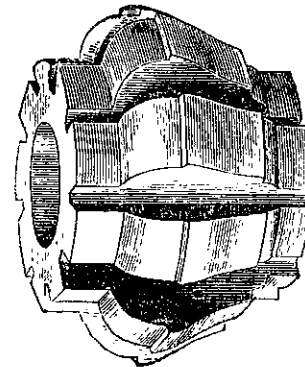
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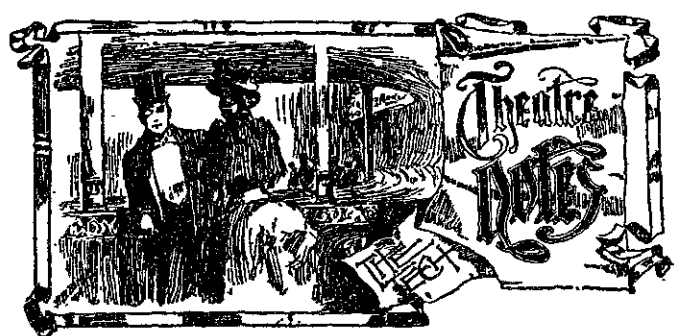
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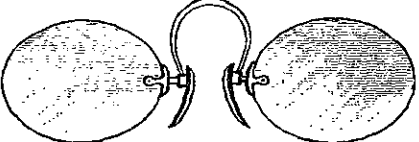
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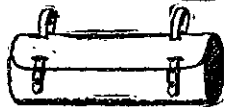
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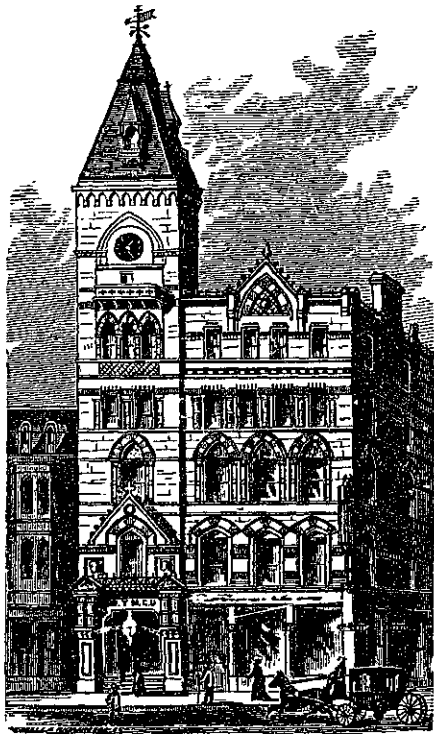
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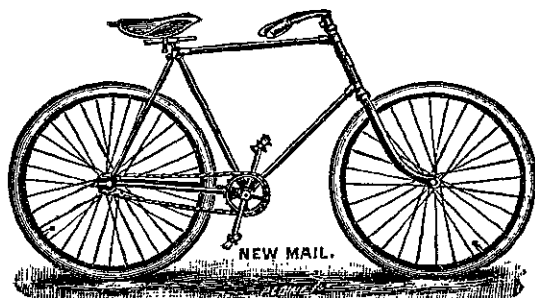
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